

# **Contributions to HiLiftPW-2 from Metacomp Technologies, Inc.**

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# DLR F11 Flow Predictions

## **Solver configuration**

- CFD++ : Unified Grid Finite Volume solver
- Unstructured Mixed-Element cell based
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order HLLC Riemann solver
- Preconditioned
- Multigrid Acceleration
- Fully turbulent

## **Cases studied**

### C1 (Grid convergence):

7° and 16°

k- $\epsilon$ -Rt, SA, SST

Effects of preconditioner

### C2a and C2b (Polar):

SA

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Turbulence Model	Freestream Turbulence Level (%)	Eddy viscosity Ratio ( $\mu_t/\mu$ )	Remarks
k- $\epsilon$ -Rt	0.05	20	no freestream $\mu_t$ decay
S-A	--	1	no freestream $\mu_t$ decay
SST	0.05	20	

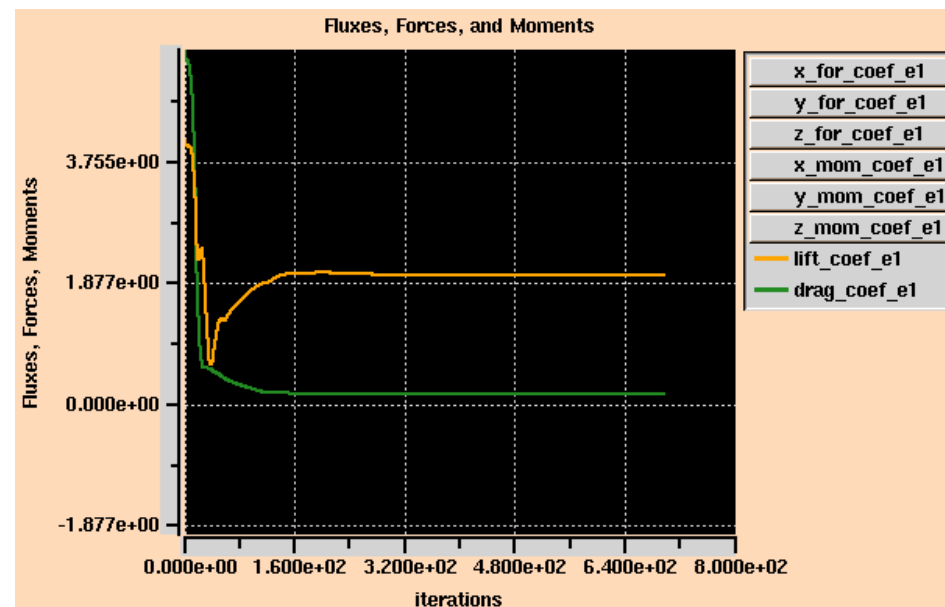
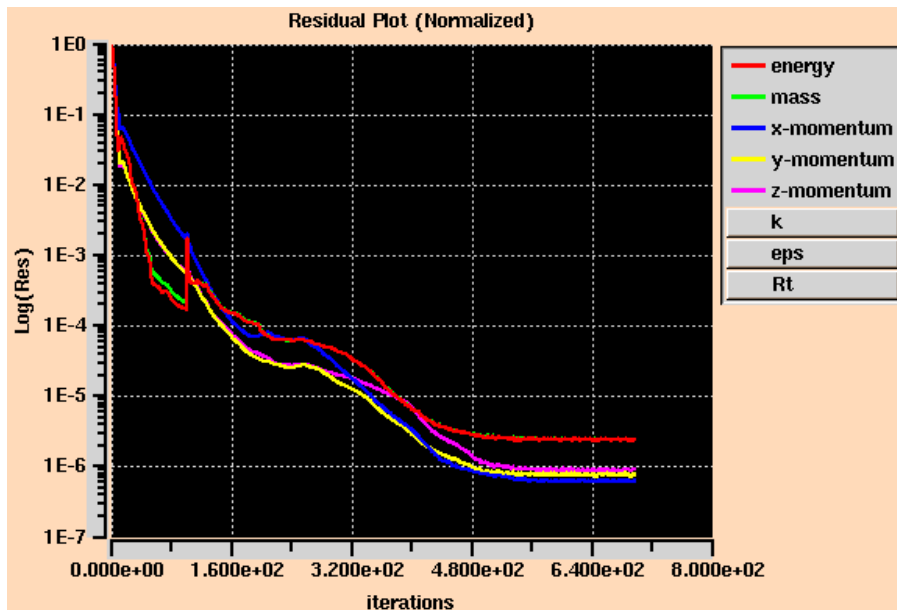
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**Solution information** (Case 1 medium grid, 32M cells, unstructured hexa)

- **Hardware / platform:**  
Up to 14 nodes used  
Each node: 2 AMD Opteron 6172 (12 cores), 128 GB ram  
Up to 336 cores used
- **Operating System:** Centos/Redhat OS 5.5  
**Compiler:** gcc 3.2.3
- **Run Time:** 700 steps, incl. files outputs, 7.5 hours (288 cores)  
**Memory used:** ~560 MB/process, 107 GB total (288 cores)  
Lift and drag converged in 500 iterations or about 5 hours

# Case 1 – Grid sensitivity

Typical convergence history with k- $\epsilon$ -Rt model



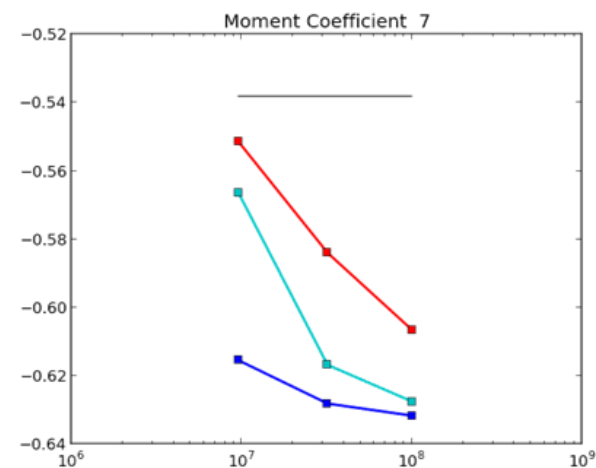
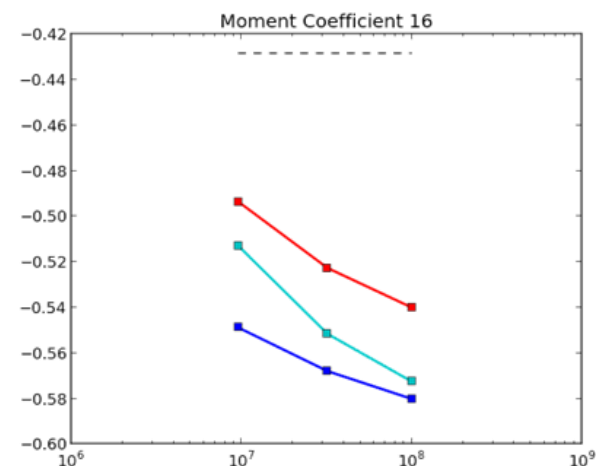
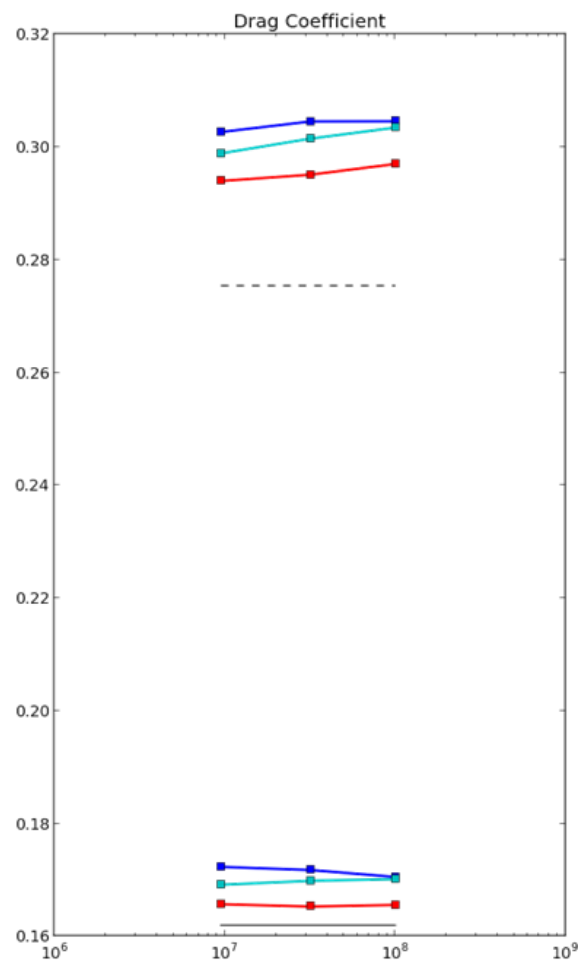
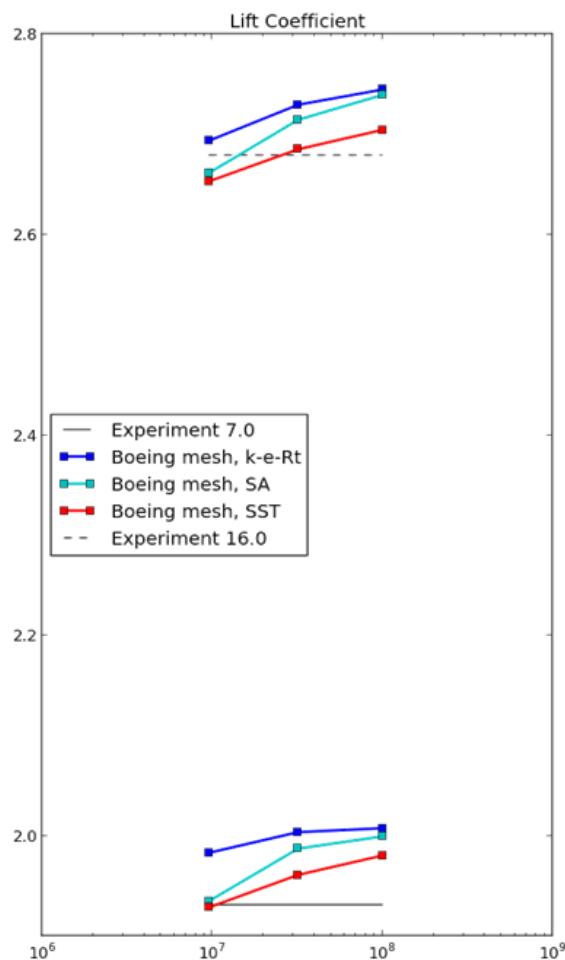
## Case 1 – Grid sensitivity

- Hexa mesh (coarse, medium, fine grids)
- ICEM (A\_uns\_1to1\_Case1Config2\_v2)

MESH	No. of cells
Coarse	9,556,725
Medium	31,998,440
Fine	100,561,536

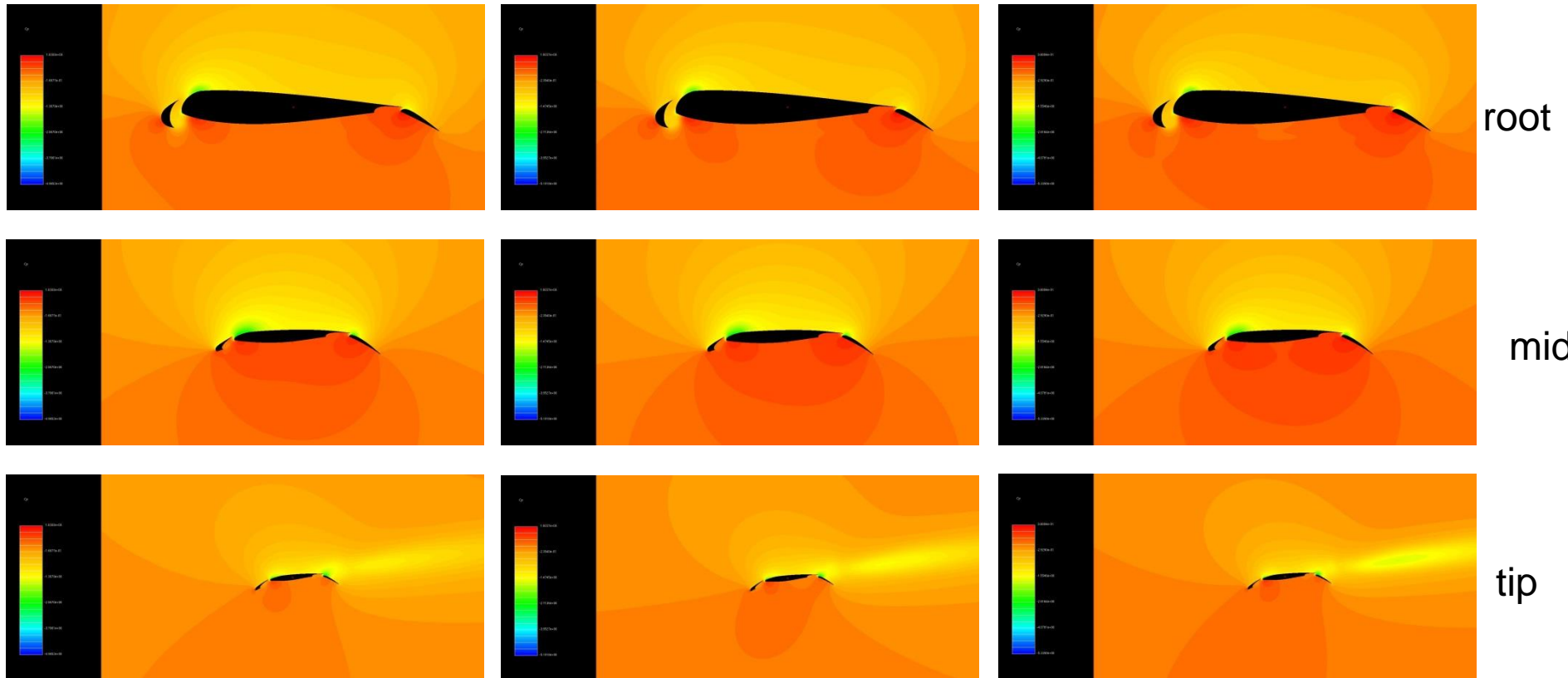
# Case 1 – Grid sensitivity

Forces and Moments convergence



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$$\alpha = 7^\circ, k-\epsilon-Rt$$



Coarse

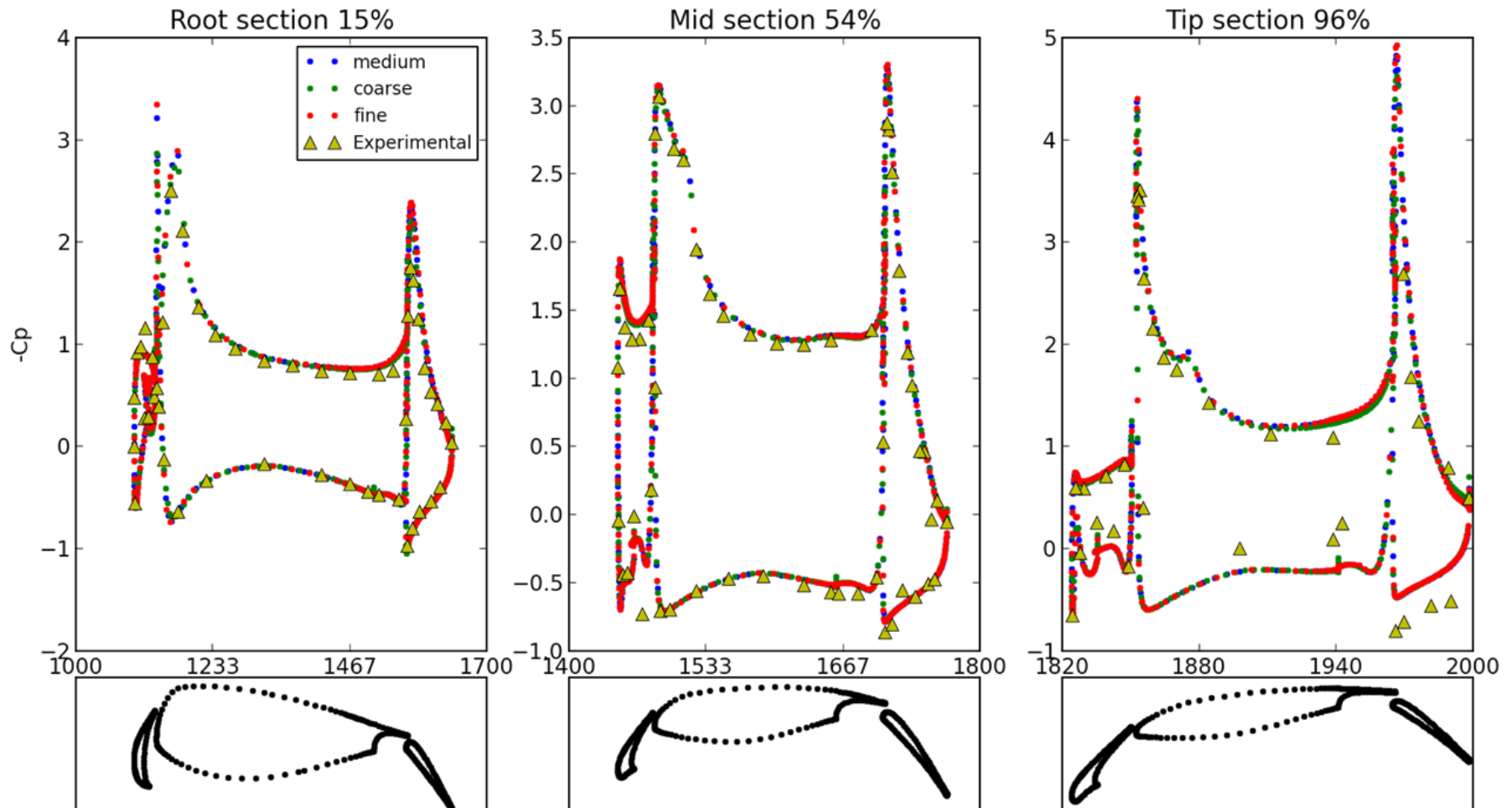
Medium

Fine



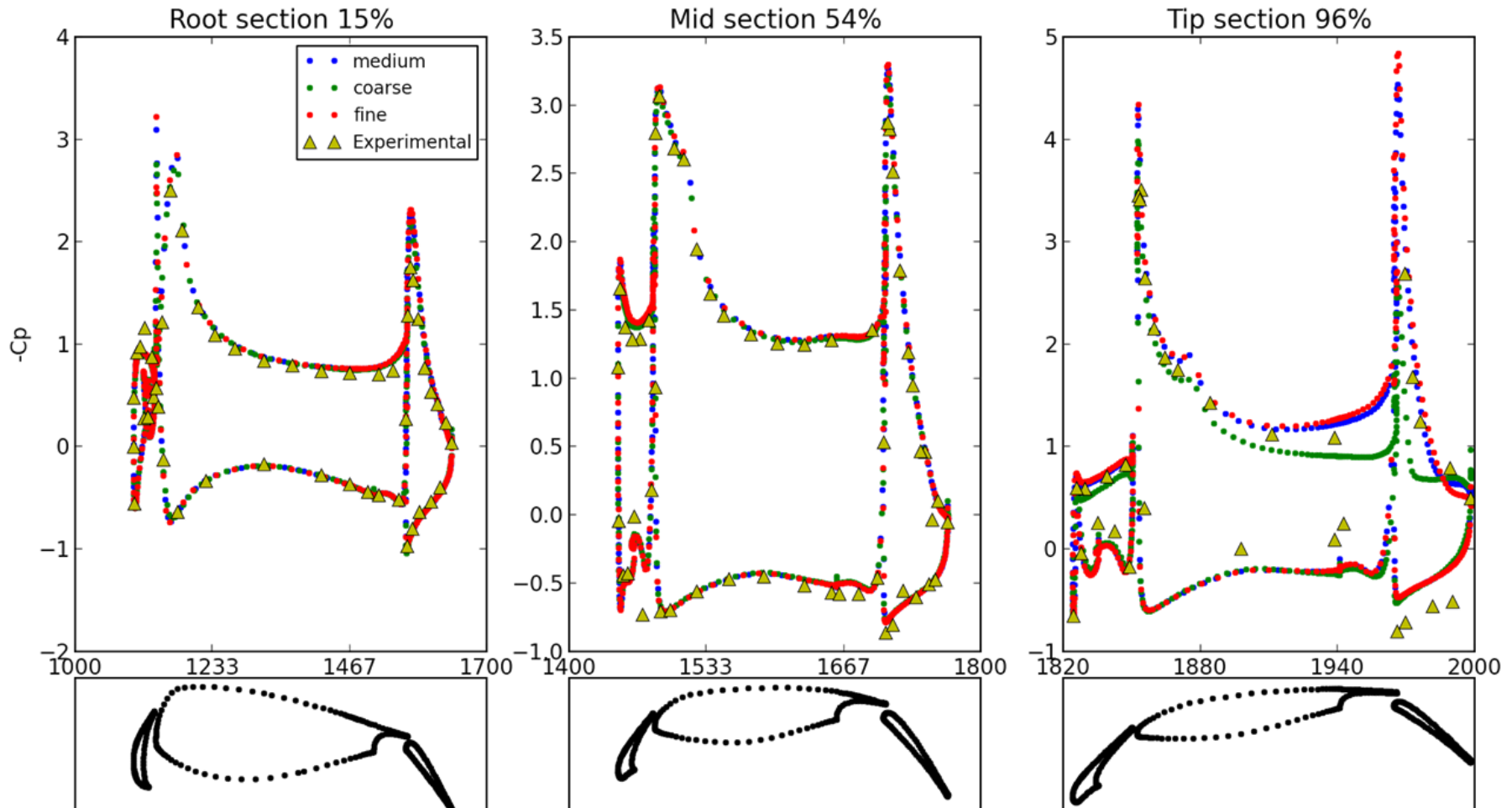
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**-Cp plots, C1, k- $\epsilon$ -Rt at  $\alpha = 7^\circ$**



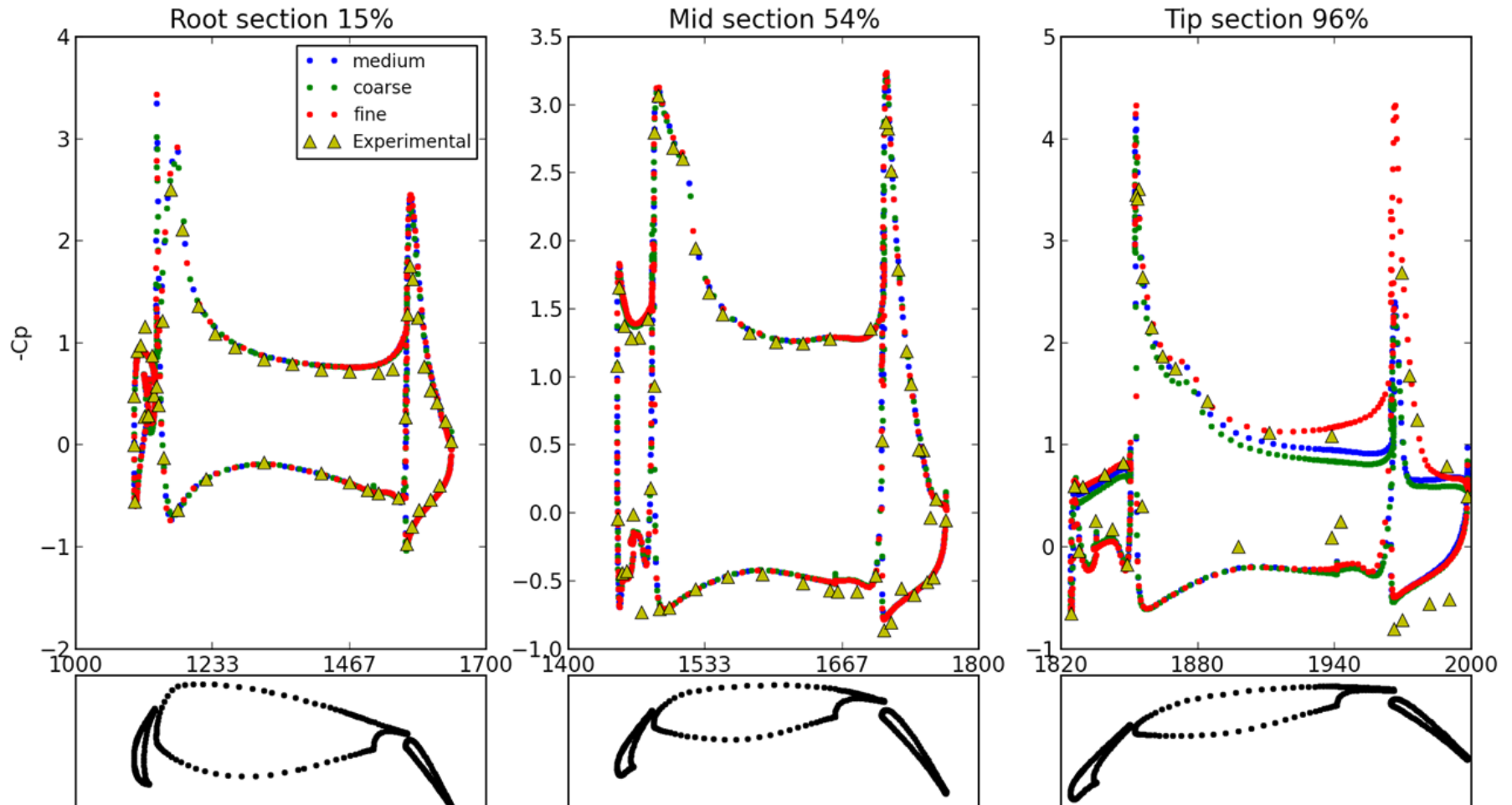
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**-Cp plots, C1, SA at  $\alpha = 7^\circ$**



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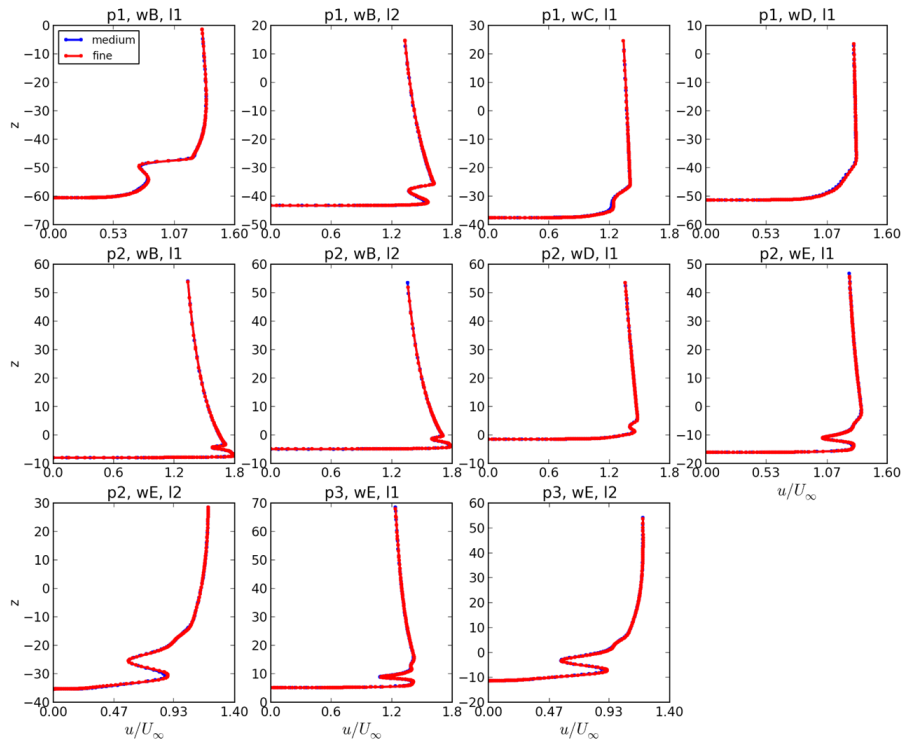
-Cp plots, C1, SST at  $\alpha = 7^\circ$



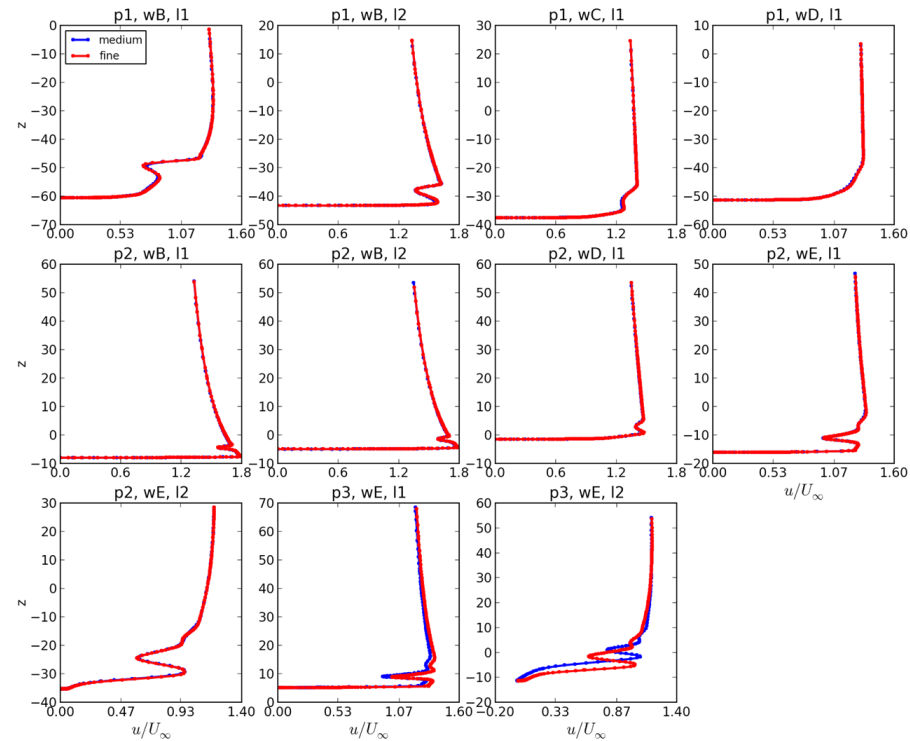
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## Velocity profiles 7°

k- $\epsilon$ -Rt

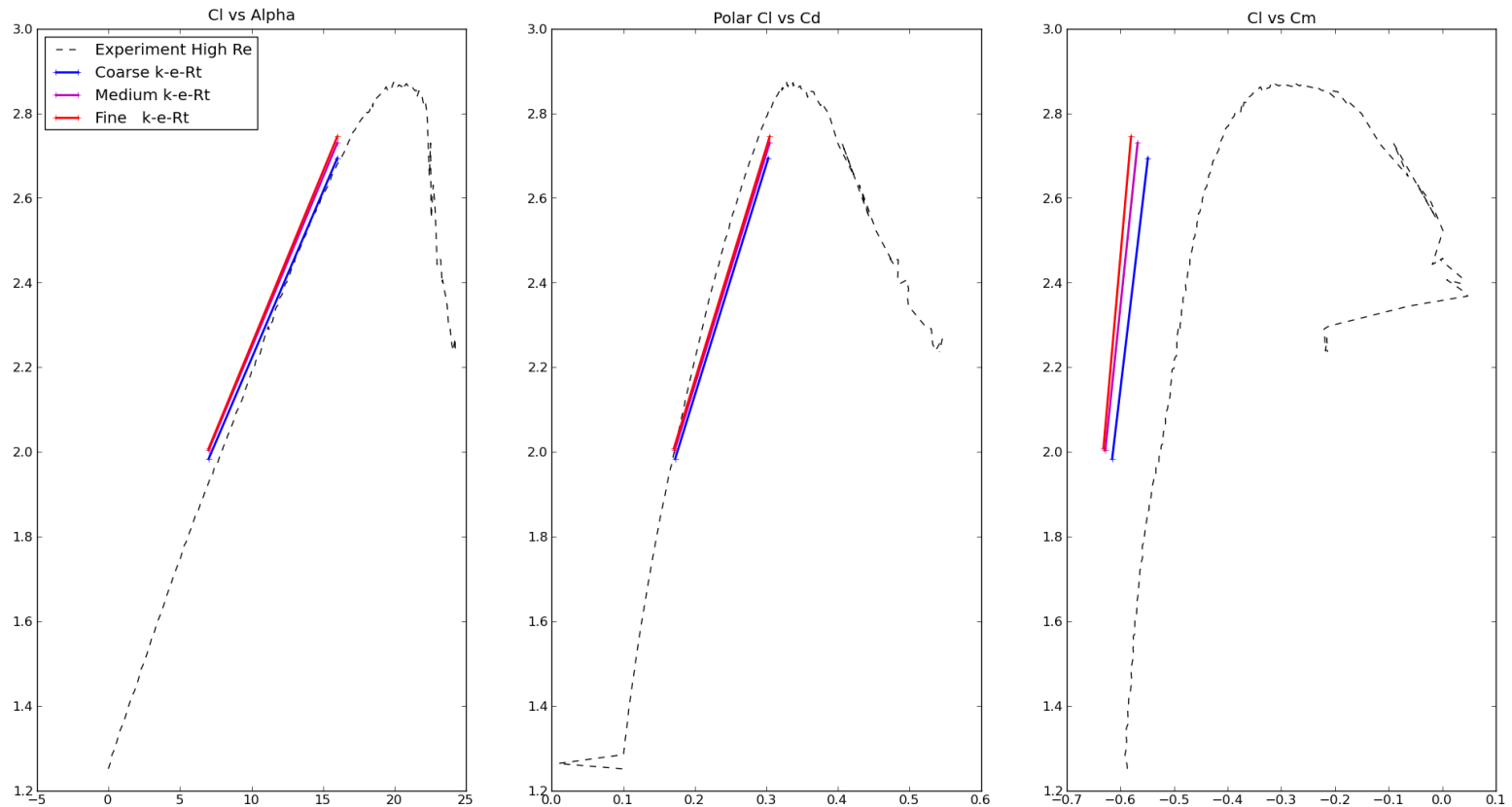


SST

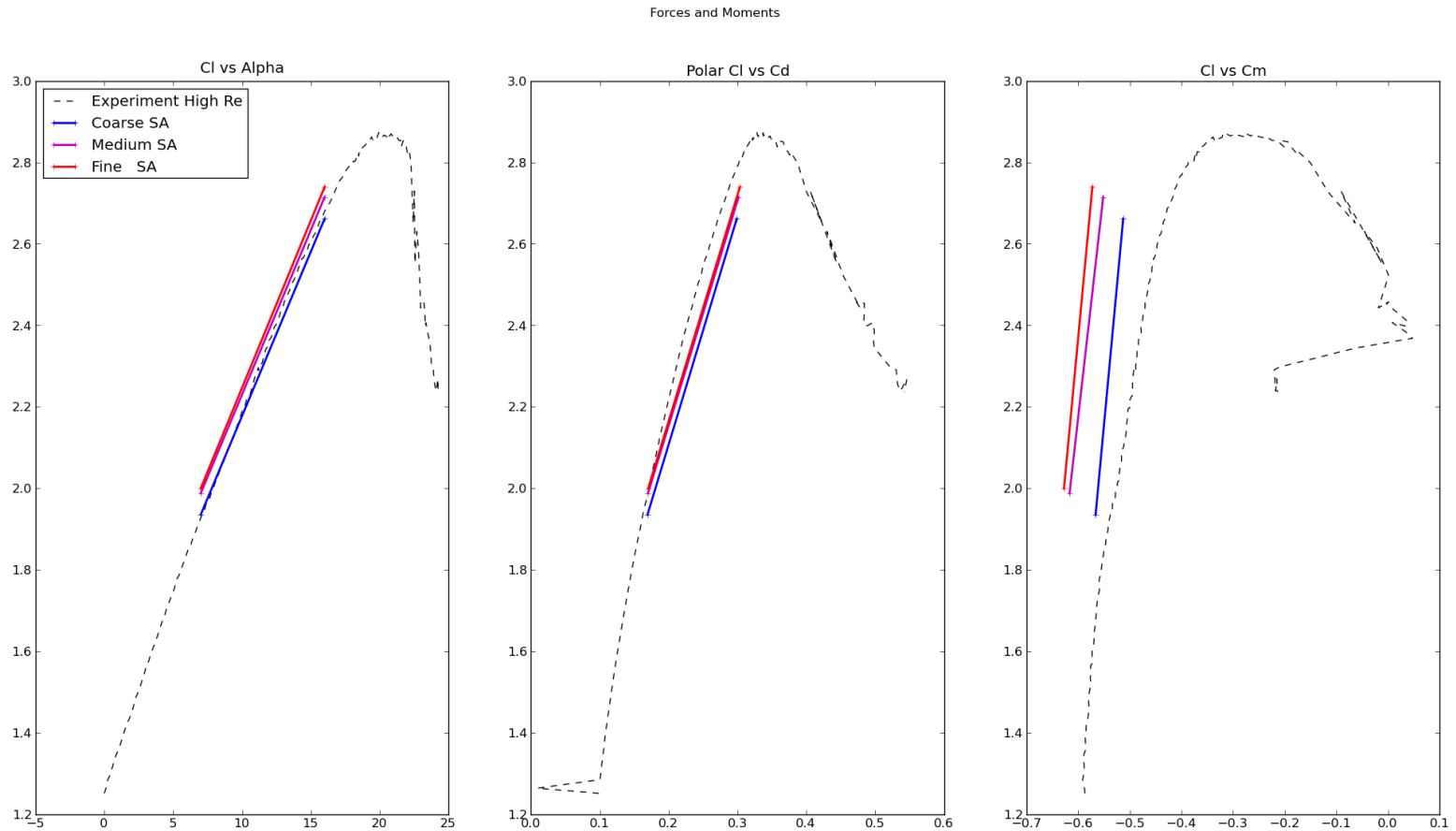


# Case 1 – Grid sensitivity – $k-\epsilon-R_t$

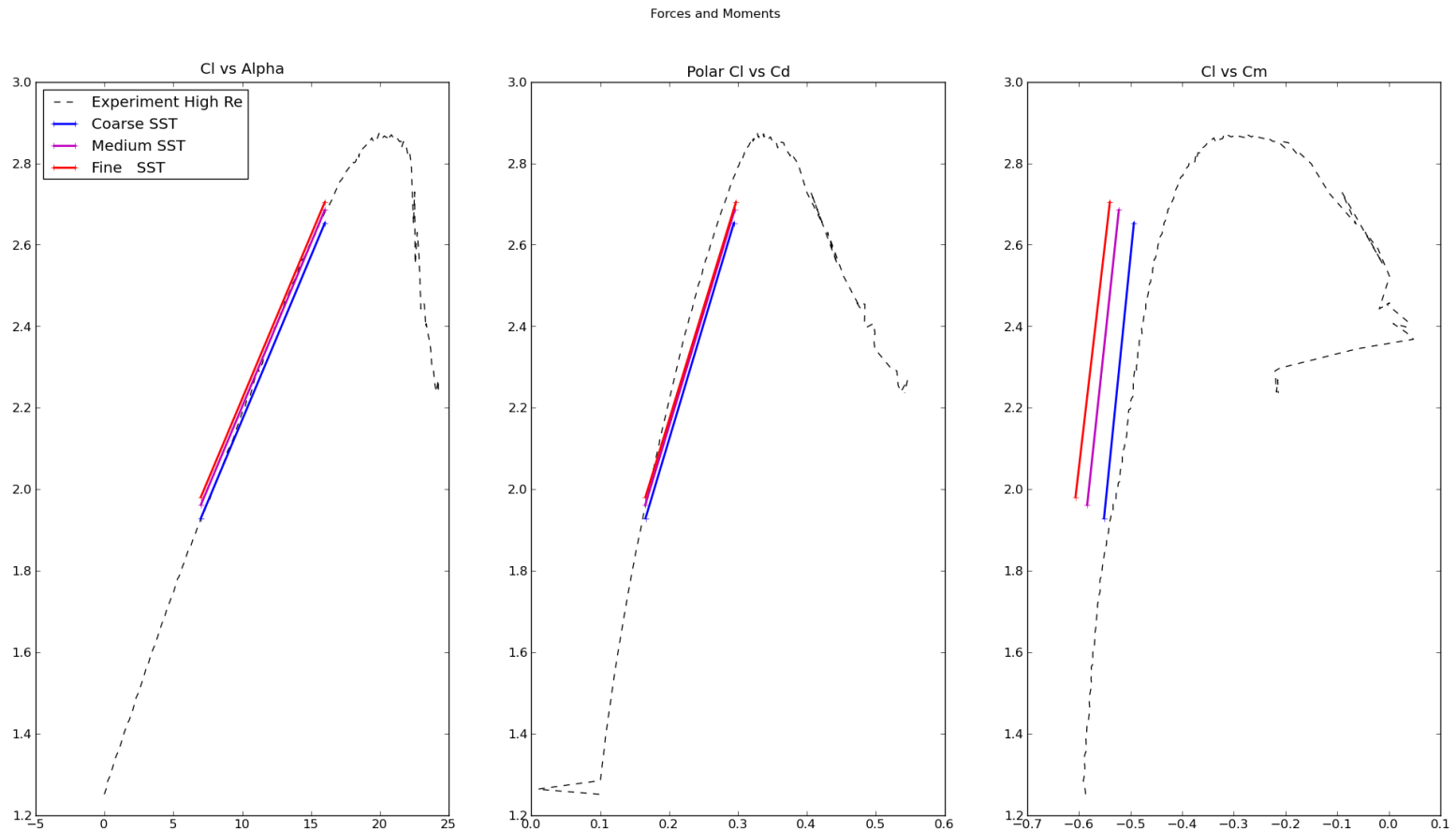
Forces and Moments



# Case 1 – Grid sensitivity - SA



# Case 1 – Grid sensitivity - SST



## Case 1 – Effect of preconditioning

- As a unique exercise for this Workshop we ran both pre-conditioned and non-preconditioned modes to answer the often asked questions:
  1. What is the effect of pre-conditioning?
  2. Which approach is better?
- Both modes were used on coarse, medium and fine grids
- As expected, *preconditioned results show better and faster grid convergence*
- On the finest meshes, non-preconditioned results edge toward the preconditioned ones as seen in the following slides



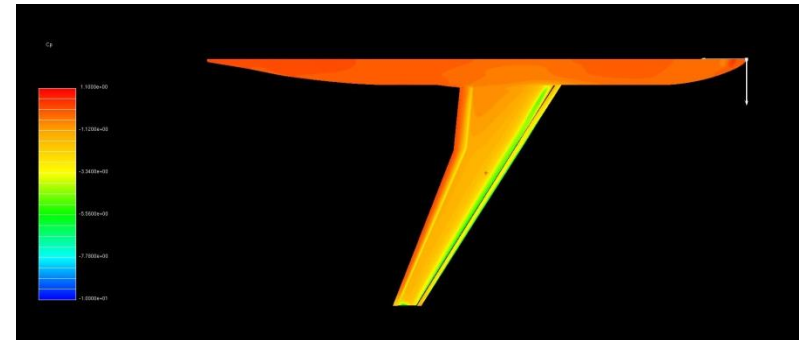
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SA Model, Fine mesh

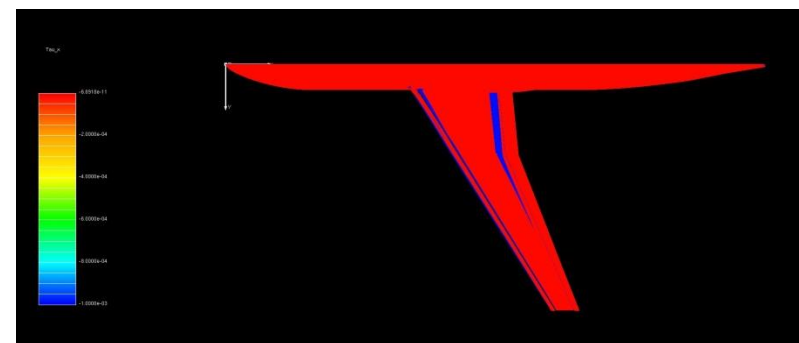
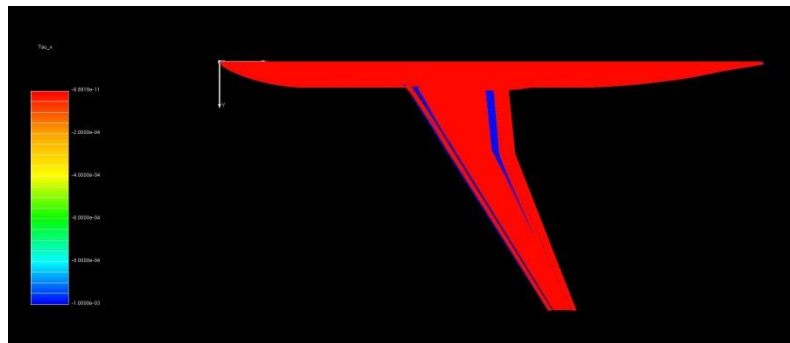
- Non-preconditioned



- Preconditioned



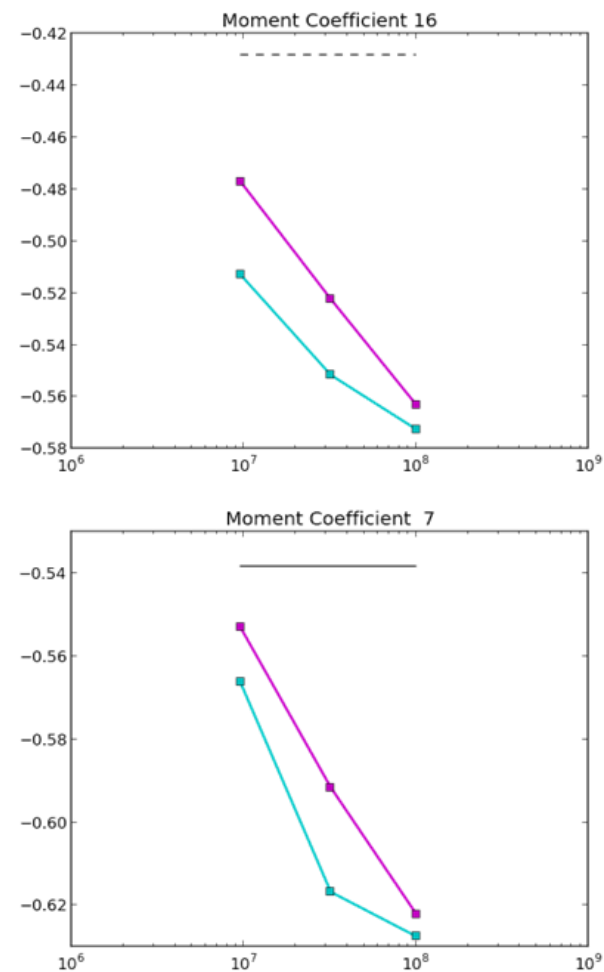
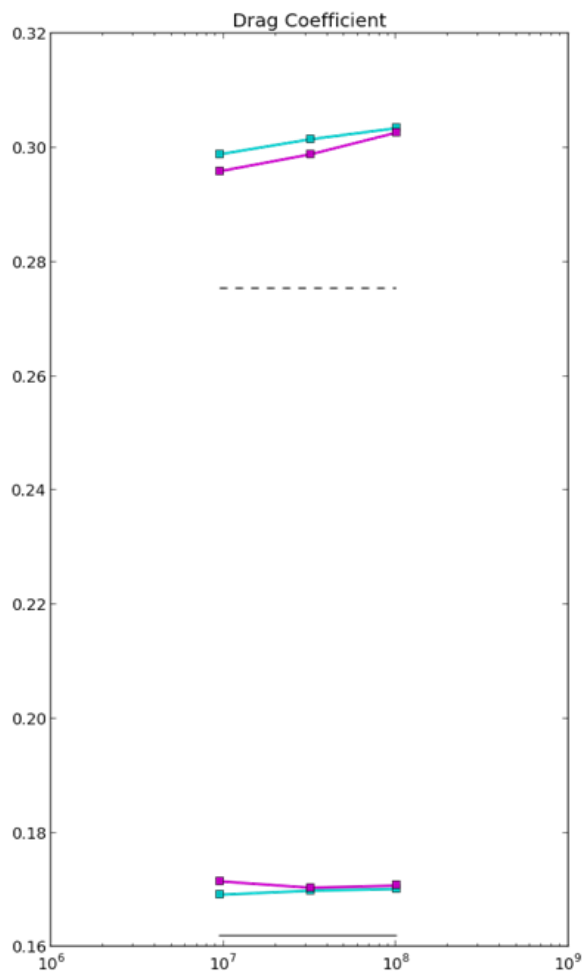
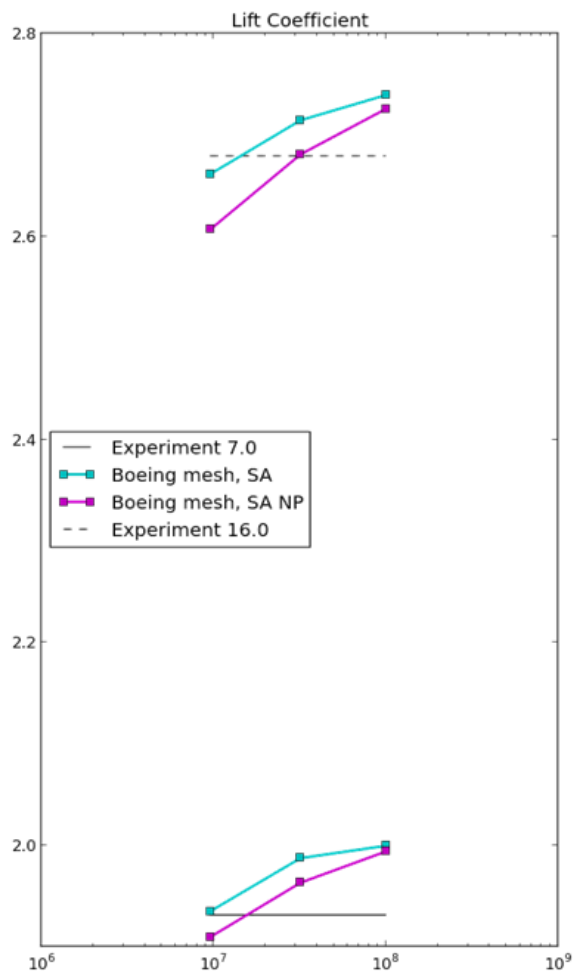
Upper  $C_p$



Lower  $\tau_x$

# Case 1 – Effect of preconditioning

Forces and Moments convergence



## Case 2 – Forces and Moments

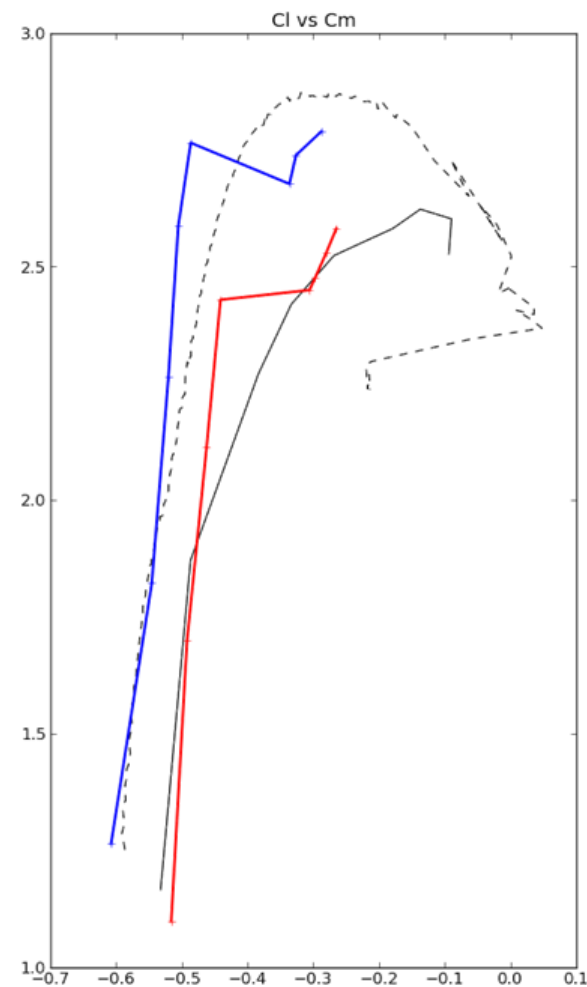
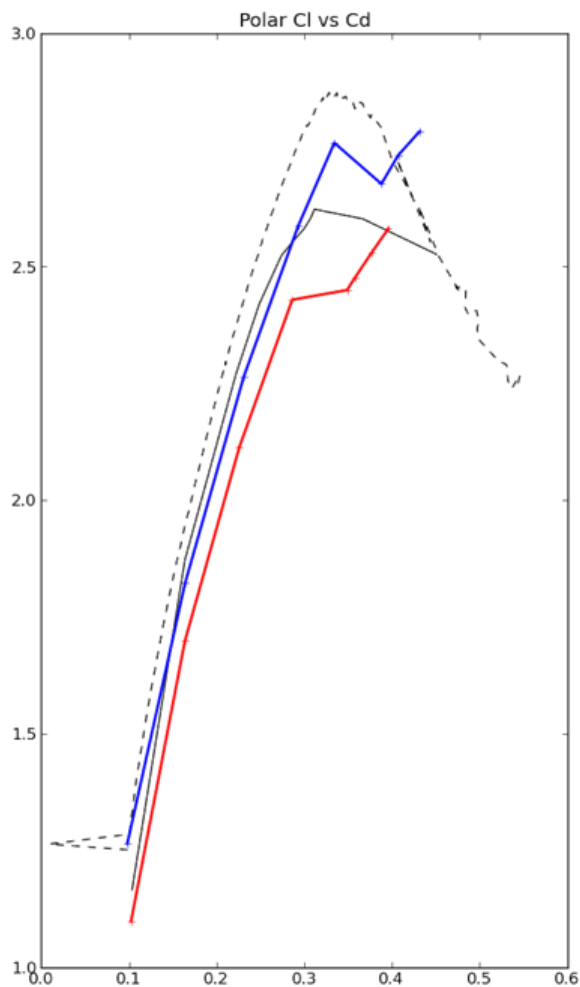
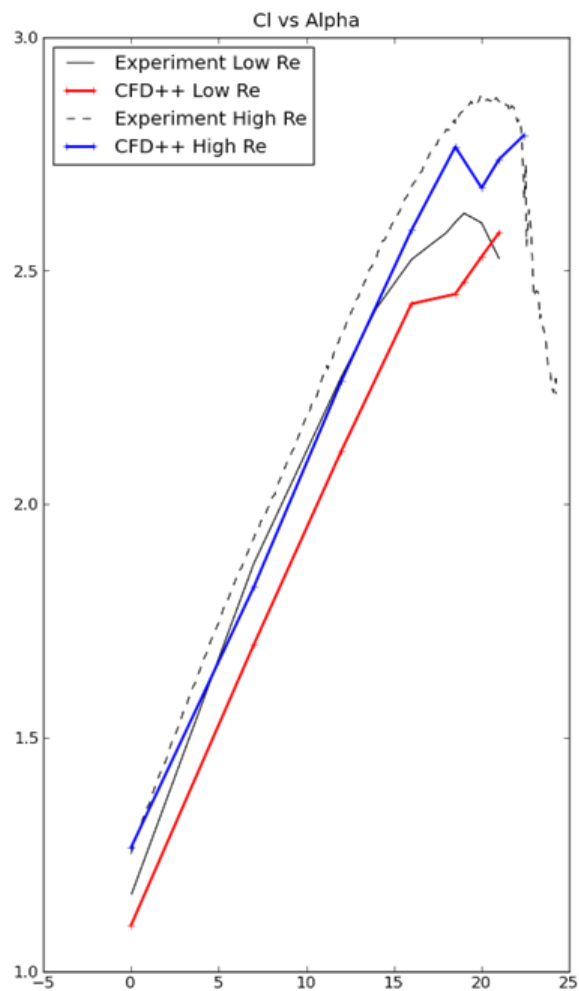
- Prisms/Tets mesh (medium grid)
- Pointwise (C\_uns\_mix\_Case2Config4\_v1)

MESH	No. of cells
Medium	149,963,804

# Case 2 – Forces and Moments

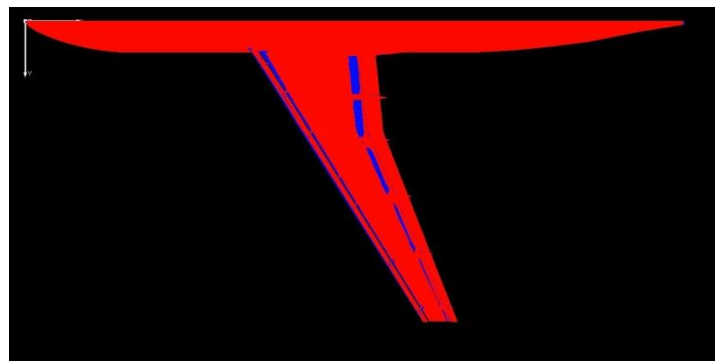
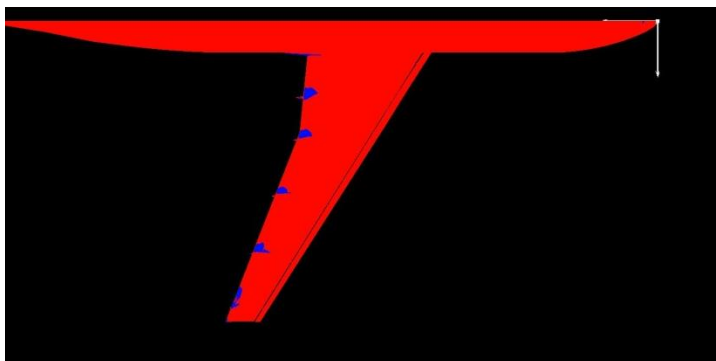
## S-A Model

Forces and Moments

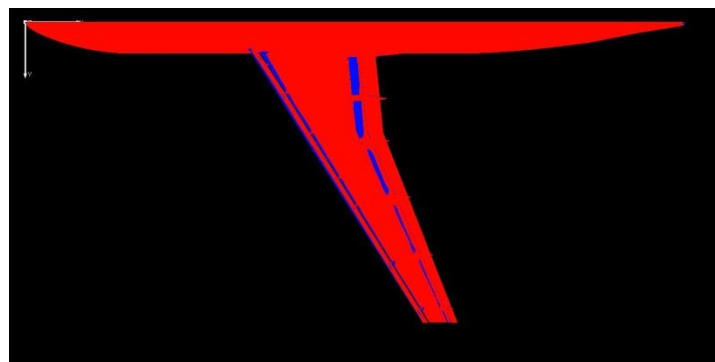
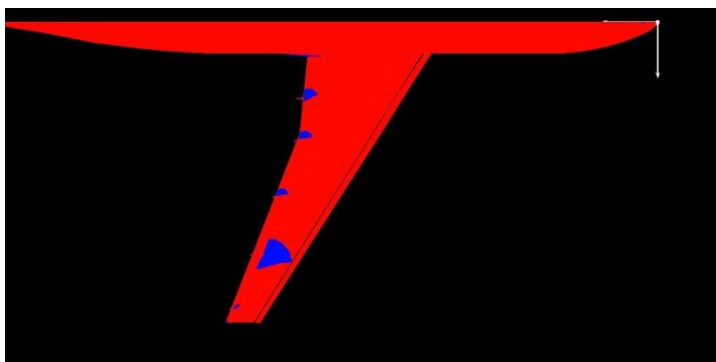


## Case 2a (Low Re) – $\tau_x$

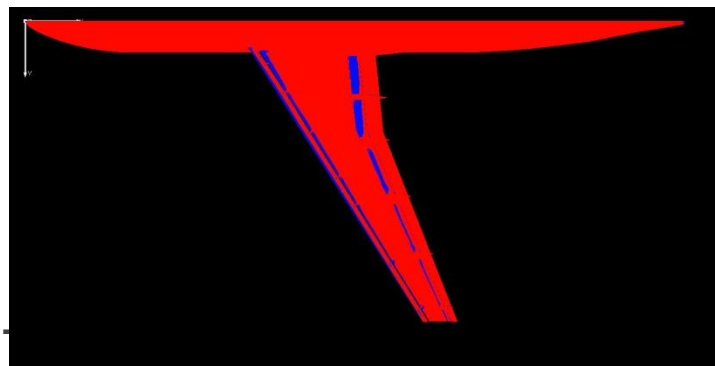
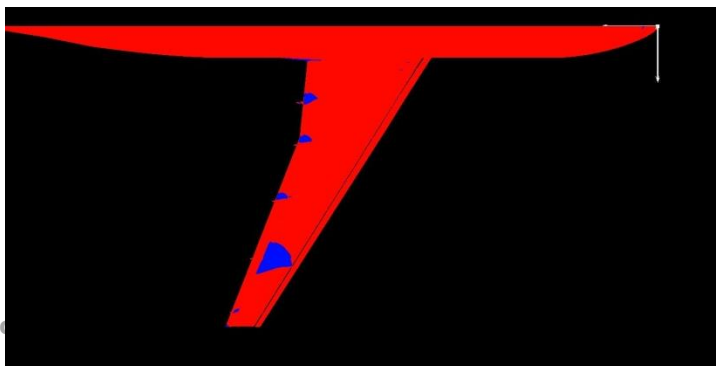
16.0°



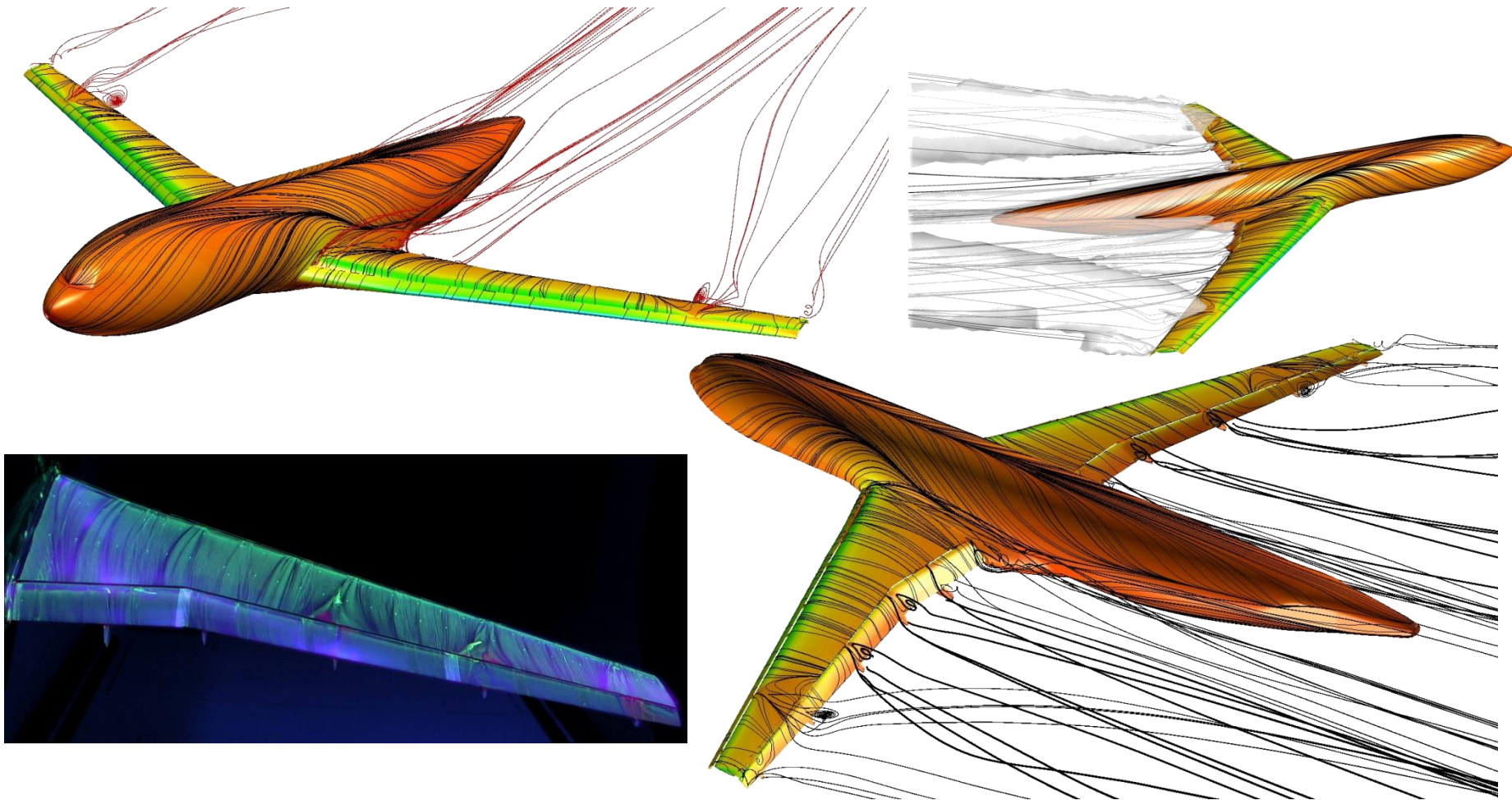
18.5°



20.0°



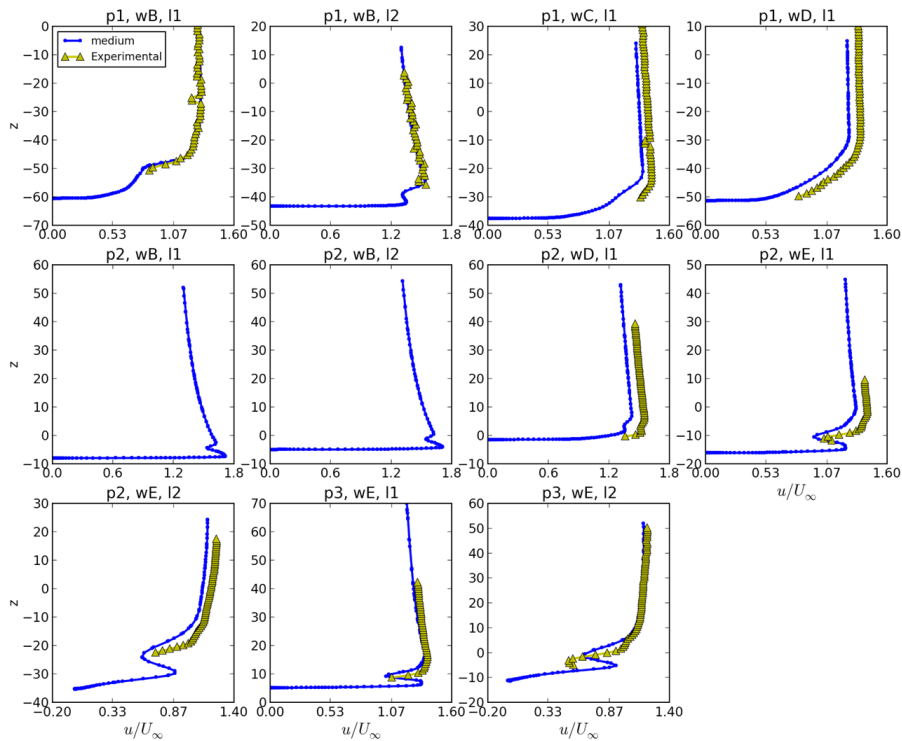
## Case 2a (Low Re) – 18.5°



# Case 2a (Low Re) – Velocity profiles

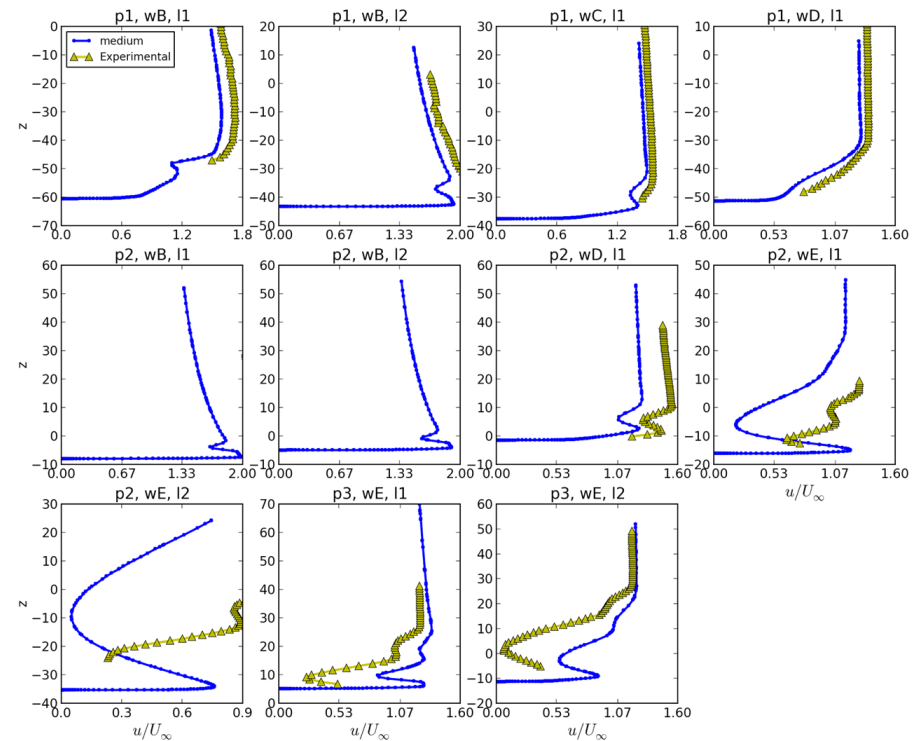
7°

Velocity profiles, C2a, SA at  $\alpha = 7^\circ$

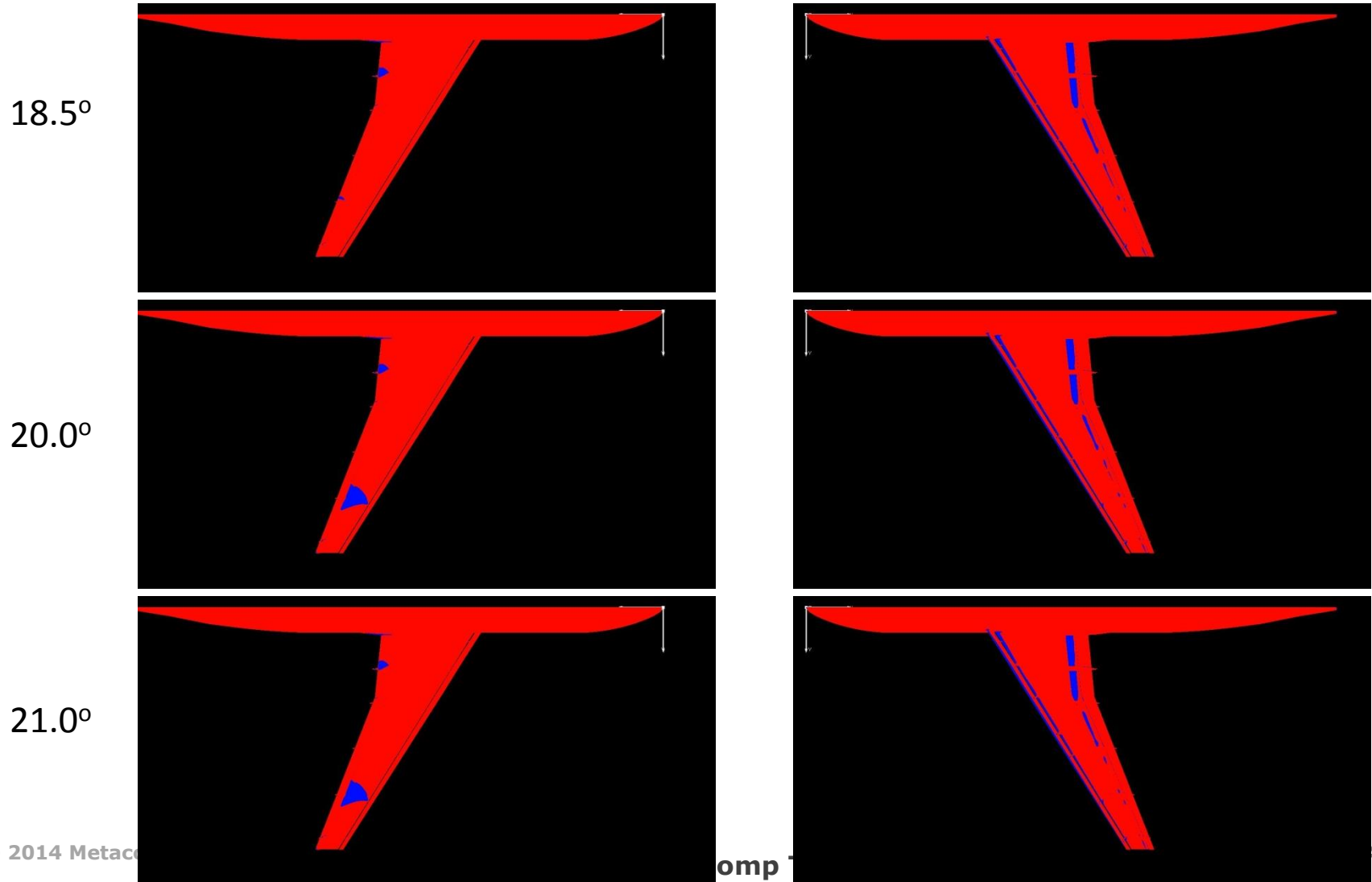


18.5°

Velocity profiles, C2a, SA at  $\alpha = 18.5^\circ$



## Case 2b (High Re) – Forces and Moments





## Conclusions

- CFD++ used in various configurations for C1, C2a and C2b.
    - Effects of turbulence model ( $k-\varepsilon-R_t$ , SST and S-A)
    - Effects of preconditioning (RHS)None is ever a clear outlier in the workshop
  - Able to observe grid convergence with all turbulence models  
 $k-\varepsilon-R_t$  exhibits the least dependence on the grid
  - Usefulness of preconditioning at low speed demonstrated
  - High Re predictions closer to experiment than Low Re, might be linked to transitional effects being ignored
- More results, complete  $C_p$  plots and velocities profiles in paper